PDLS – Pediatric Disaster Life Support

Offered April through September 2005

It has been well documented that children respond to disaster differently than adults. The Pediatric Disaster Life Support course sponsored by DPHHS and St. Vincent Healthcare will help clinicians better serve this population. The PDLS is a 16 hour course which will cover the following course objectives.

- 1. State general principals of pediatric disaster care: triage assessment, stabilization, and resuscitation.
- 2. Identify basic principles of pediatric disaster management.
- 3. Describe two methods of assisting children to cope with the psychological impact of disaster.
- 4. List equipment needed for pediatric disaster.
- 5. Perform a patient triage and initial stabilization of children involved in a disaster.
- 6. Describe disaster mitigation.
- 7. Demonstrate knowledge of pediatric disaster preparedness.
- 8. Identify specific patterns of injury to children involved in a disaster.
- 9. Describe how to set up a pediatric disaster drill.

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